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**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. – 6. (Cancelled)

7. (Currently Amended) A roll-shaped printing medium for use in a roll-printer comprising:  
a printing surface on which one or more images are to be printed;  
a printing layer that is releasably adhered to a release layer, the release layer for holding said printing layer,

wherein the ~~layers comprising the medium~~ releasably adhered printing layer and release layer are rolled together in a spiral shape to form a roll-shaped printing medium, and

wherein an image-forming portion of said printing medium has said printing layer that has been ~~at least partially~~ cut along a conveying direction of the image printing medium at ~~an~~ a width-wise interval corresponding to the dimension of said image in a width direction perpendicular to said conveying direction, and wherein the image-forming portion of said roll has said printing layer that is not cut at all in a width direction perpendicular to the conveying direction.

8. (Previously Presented) The roll-shaped printing medium according to claim 7, wherein said image-forming portion extends substantially the entire longitudinal length of said printing medium.

9. (Canceled)

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10. (Previously Presented) The roll-shaped printing medium according to claim 7, wherein there are at least three cuts made in the longitudinal direction of said printing layer and wherein each cut is spaced apart in a direction perpendicular to the conveying direction at a pre-determined distance.

11. (Currently Amended) A printing medium for use in a printer comprising:  
a printing surface on which one or more images are to be printed;  
a printing layer that is releasably adhered to a release layer, the release layer for holding said printing layer,

wherein an image-forming portion of said printing medium has said printing layer that has been ~~at least partially~~ cut along a conveying direction of the image printing medium at ~~an~~ a width-wise interval corresponding to the dimension of said image in a width direction perpendicular to said conveying direction, and wherein the image-forming portion of said ~~roll printing medium~~ has said printing layer that is not cut at all in a width direction perpendicular to the conveying direction, and

wherein an image is printed on at least a portion of the printing layer of image-forming portion of the printing medium in between the cuts formed in the conveying direction.

12. (Previously Presented) The printing medium according to claim 11, wherein said image-forming portion extends substantially the entire longitudinal length of said printing medium.

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13. (Previously Presented) The printing medium according to claim 11, wherein there are at least three cuts made in the longitudinal direction of said printing layer and wherein each cut is spaced apart at a pre-determined distance in a direction perpendicular to the conveying direction of the printing medium.

14. (Canceled)

15. (Currently Amended) The roll-shaped printing medium according to claim 7, wherein ~~said image-forming portion of said printing medium has said printing layer that has been only partially cut along a conveying direction of the image-printing medium~~ the longitudinal cuts formed in the printing layer of the printing medium extend at least partially into said release layer but not all the way through said release layer.

16. (Currently Amended) The printing medium according to claim 11, wherein ~~said image-forming portion of said printing medium has said printing layer that has been only partially cut along a conveying direction of the image-printing medium~~ the cuts formed in the printing layer in the conveying direction of the printing medium extend at least partially into said release layer but not all the way through said release layer.

17. - 24. (Canceled)

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**Please add the following new claims:**

25. (New) The roll-shaped printing medium according to claim 7, wherein no further holes or cuts are formed in the printing medium in order to facilitate the accurate detection of a position of the printing medium.

26. (New) A printing medium for use in a printer comprising:

a printing surface on which one or more images are to be printed;

a printing layer that is releasably adhered to a release layer, the release layer for holding said printing layer,

wherein a first image-forming portion of said printing medium has said printing layer that has been cut along a conveying direction of the image printing medium at a width-wise interval corresponding to the dimension of said image in a width direction perpendicular to said conveying direction, and wherein the first image-forming portion of said printing medium has said printing layer that is not cut at all in a width direction perpendicular to the conveying direction, and

wherein a second image-forming portion of said printing medium has said printing layer that has been cut along a conveying direction of the image printing medium at the width-wise interval corresponding to the dimension of said image in a width direction perpendicular to said conveying direction, and has width-wise cuts formed in a direction perpendicular to the conveying direction of the printing medium at an interval corresponding to the dimension of said image in a longitudinal direction.

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27. (New) The printing medium according to claim 26, wherein neither the longitudinal cuts nor the width-wise cuts in the second image-forming portion extend all the way through the printing medium.

28. (New) The printing medium according to claim 26, wherein said first and second image-forming portions of said printing medium have images formed on the printing surface thereof via a printing mechanism.

29. (New) The printing medium according to claim 28, wherein said images are color images.

30. (New) A printing medium for use in a printer comprising:  
a printing surface on which one or more images are to be printed;  
a printing layer that is releasably adhered to a release layer, the release layer for holding said printing layer,  
wherein a first image-forming portion of said printing medium has said printing layer that has not been cut at all,  
wherein a second image-forming portion of said printing medium has said printing layer that has been only cut along a conveying direction of the image printing medium at a width-wise interval corresponding to the dimension of said image in a width direction perpendicular to said conveying direction, and wherein the first image-forming portion of said printing medium has said printing layer that is not cut at all in a width direction perpendicular to the conveying direction,

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wherein a third image-forming portion of said printing medium has said printing layer that has been cut along a conveying direction of the image printing medium at the width-wise interval corresponding to the dimension of said image in a width direction perpendicular to said conveying direction, and has width-wise cuts formed in a direction perpendicular to the conveying direction of the printing medium at an interval corresponding to the dimension of said image in a longitudinal direction.

31. (New) The printing medium according to claim 26, wherein neither the longitudinal cuts nor the width-wise cuts in the second or the third image-forming portions extend all the way through the printing medium.

32. (New) The printing medium according to claim 26, wherein said second and third image-forming portions of said printing medium have images formed on the printing surface thereof via a printing mechanism, and said first image-forming portion has no images formed thereon.

33. (New) The printing medium according to claim 32, wherein said images are color images.

34. (New) The printing medium according to claim 11, wherein no further holes or cuts are formed in the printing medium in order to facilitate the accurate detection of a position of the printing medium.